



SHARPE JAMES

MAYOR

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

07102

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mr. William Celester, Director, Newark
Police Department

FROM: Jackie R. Mattison, Chief of Staff *JRM*

DATE: August 20, 1992

RE: AUTO THEFT

Please provide me with a list by Monday, August 24, 1992, of persons who have been killed/injured as a result of auto theft. The list should start with the beginning of Mayor James' Administration, July 1986, to the present.

Thank you for your cooperation.

JRM:acd

TO: WILLIAM R. CELESTER
HONORABLE POLICE DIRECTOR
FROM: ROBERT J. RUSSO, SERGEANT
RESEARCH, ANALYSIS, AND PLANNING
SUBJECT: REQUEST OF HONORABLE SHARPE JAMES, MAYOR
RE: AUTO THEFT FATALITIES/INJURIES
1986-1992

DATE: AUGUST 24, 1992

FILE REF :

Sir:

I have researched the information that has been requested by the Mayor's Office for Jackie R. Madison, Chief of Staff. Some portions of the information that was requested particularly reported injuries for the years 1986-1992 involving stolen vehicles is not available. This information is not presently part of any statistical data that is captured by this Police Department. I have made several attempts to locate this data from outside Law Enforcement agencies with negative results. The New Jersey State Department of Highway Safety keeps records of all auto related accidents by municipalities but does not articulate on injuries involving stolen vehicles. I also attempted to retrieve this information from the Essex County authorities and discovered that they also do not have this information available. The cases are handled case by case and are not segregated from accidents involving stolen vehicles. As previously requested, the R.A.A.P. Section is attempting to refine the data captured to include segregation of this information for future reference.

In the second part of his request the information was obtained manually by researching the case by case the homicides reported in the City of Newark between 1986-1992. I have found 33 cases that involved a stolen vehicle and listed them by year including the victims name, age, and circumstances surrounding the incidents. These yearly cases are attached.

I have also attached statistical data I have requested from the Essex County Prosecutors Office that may be of assistance to the Mayor's Office.

Respectfully Submitted,

SIGNATURE: _____

SUPERIOR RECEIVING REPORT

SIGNATURE: 

RANK: SERGEANT # 6101

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1986

Date: April 19, 1986
Location: 6 Sheffield Drive
Victim: Kisha Utsey
Race/Age: Black/ 14
Sex: Female
Incident: Struck by stolen vehicle (pedestrian)
CC#: 86-26311

Date: April 25, 1986
Location: 318 Hawthorne Ave.
Victim: Donald Reves
Race/Age: Black/35
Sex: Male
Incident: Struck by stolen auto (pedestrian)
CC#: 86-32275

Date: June 3, 1986
Location: Vassar Ave/Parkview Terr.
Victim: Arthur Hines
Race/Age: Black/38
Sex: Male
Incident: Two car accident driver of stolen fled scene.
CC#: 86-42959

Date: June 22, 1986
Location: Springfield Ave/So.16th St.
Victim: Rolland Tompuissant
Race/Age: Black/51
Sex: Male
Incident: Four car accident two of the four vehicles stolen.
CC#: 86-48772

Date: June 22, 1986
Location: Springfield Ave/So.16th St.
Victim: Andre Toupuissant
Race/Age: Black/47
Sex: Male
Incident: Four car accident two of the four vehicles stolen.
CC#: 86-48772

Date: Semptember 2, 1986
Location: Nesbitt St/Orange St.
Victim: Anthony Zeigier
Race/Age: Black/Male
Sex: Male
Incident: Auto accident
CC# 86-48772

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1987

Date: September 24, 1987
Location: Bergen St/14th Ave.
Victim: Tawan Martha
Race/Age: Balck/14
Sex: Male
Incident: Victim a passenger in stolen auto that struck pole.
CC#: 87-84255

Date: April 8, 1987
Location: 329 Elizabeth Avenue
Victim: Walter Murphy
Race/Age: Black/16
Sex: Male
Incident: Stlolen auto struck tree.
CC#: 87-27399

Date: April 8, 1987
Location: 329 Elizabeth Ave.
Victim: Antonnette Murphy
Race/Age: Black/17
Sex: Female
Incident: Stolen auto struck tree.
CC#: 87-27399

Date: April 8, 1987
Location: 329 Elizabeth Ave.
Victim: Ronald Lawhorn
Race/Age: Black/16
Sex: Male
Incident: Stolen auto struck tree.
CC#: 87-27399

Date: April 10, 1987
Location: McCarter Hwy/Chester Ave.
Victim: Kevin Daly
Race/Age: White/39
Sex: Male
Incident: Auto accident stolen auto fled the scene.
CC#: 87-28168

Date: September 29, 1987
Location: 318 Dayton Street
Victim: Al Brown
Race/Age: Black/16
Sex: Male
Incident: Driver killed in stolen auto while drag racing.
CC#: 87-81224

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1988

Date: January 30, 1988
Location: South St/McCarter Hwy
Victim: Wilberto Bonilla
Race/Age: White/27
Sex: Male
Incident: Driver of stolen auto involved in accident.
CC#: 88-8472

Date: May 9, 1988
Location: 49 Lehigh Ave.
Victim: Damon Johnson
Race/Age: Black/19
Sex: Male
Incident: Occupant of stolen auto involved in accident.
CC#: 88-39368

Date: June 4, 1988
Location: Raymond Blvd/University Ave.
Victim: Julia Woods
Race/Age: Black/56
Sex: Female
Incident: Jersey City PD pursued a vehicle that crashed into
victims auto
CC#: 88-47934

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1989

Date: July 10, 1989
Location: 896 Broadway
Victim: Omar Larkins
Race/Age: Black/15
Sex: Male
Incident: Victim driving stolen auto that struck tree.
CC#: 89-61876

Date: July 6, 1989
Location: 84 16th Ave
Victim: Melvin Covington
Race/Age: Black/40
Sex: Male
Incident: Victim struck by stolen auto (pedestrian)
CC#: 89-60756

Date: August 16, 1989
Location: 35 Astor Street
Victim: Gregory Soto
Race/Age: White/24
Sex: Male
Incident: Victim occupant of stolen auto that struck tree.
CC#: 89-74515

Date: December 4, 1989
Location: Verona Ave./Mt Prospect
Victim: Michael Rosario
Race/Age: Hisp/20
Sex: Male
Incident: Belleville PD pursued vehicle that struck victim auto
CC#: 89-113508

Date: December 4, 1989
Location: Verona Ave/MtProspect
Victim: Alexander Nazario
Race/Age: Hisp/18
Sex: Male
Incident: Belleville PD pursued auto that struck victim auto
CC#: 89-113508

Date: December 13, 1989
Location: Muhammed Ali/Jeliff Ave.
Victim: Felicia Paterson
Race/Age: Black/14
Sex: Female
Incident: Pedestrian struck by stolen auto
CC#: 89-116717

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1990

Date: January 3, 1990
Location: Oraton Pkwy/So Orange Ave
Victim: Caliph Barr
Race/Age: Black/15
Sex: Male
Incident: Struck by Irvington PD chasing stolen auto
CC#: 90-723

Date: April 13, 1990
Location: Springfield Ave/So 10th St
Victim: Karrima Sewell
Race/Age: Black/10
Sex: Female
Incident: Victim passenger in auto struck by stolen vehicle.
CC#: 90-34704

Date: May 30, 1990
Location: Pennsylvania Ave/Emmet St.
Victim: Garland Lyons
Race/Age: Black/70
Sex: Male
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen vehicle, driver fled
in different stolen auto.
CC#: 90-40564

Date: July 11, 1990
Location: Lombardy St/Lombardy Pl
Victim: Vincent Mitchell
Race/Age: Black/18
Sex: Male
Incident: Passenger in stolen auto that struck tree.
CC#: 90-65348

Date: September 2, 1990
Location: 740 So 10th Street
Victim: James Johnson
Race/Age: Black/17
Sex: male
Incident: Driver of stolen auto that crashed into fence.
CC#: 90-82474

Date: September 9, 1990
Location: Madison Ave/Sherman Ave
Victim: Ella Hannah
Race/Age: Black/59
Sex: Female

Incident: Victim struck by stolen auto driver fled scene
CC#: 90-84662

Date: November 21, 1990
Location: Madison/So12th Str
Victim: Linda McFadden
Race/Age: Black/29
Sex: 29
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen vehicle
CC#: 90-109449

Date: December 3, 1990
Location: So Orange/Whitney St
Victim: Mona Lisa Allen
Race/Age: Black/26
Sex: Female
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen vehicle.
CC#: 90-112910

Date: December 3, 1990
Location: So Orange/Whitney St
Victim: Tanga Allen
Race/Age: Black/22
Sex: Female
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen vehicle.
CC#: 90-112910

Date: December 3, 1990
Location: So Orange/Whitney St
Victim: Antionette Babbs
Race/Age: Black/28
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen vehicle.
CC#: 90-112910

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1991

Date: April 12, 1991
Location: 80 N 9th St
Victim: Andre Stanley
Race/Age: Black/16
Sex: Male
Incident: Driving stolen vehicle that crashed into wall.
CC#: 91-38107

Date: June 23, 1991
Location: Route 1&9/McClellan St
Victim: Chiguell Barry
Race/Age: Black/16
Sex: Male
Incident: Fleeing police on stolen motor cycle.
CC#: 91-56914

Date: June 19, 1991
Location: McCarter Hwy/Raymond Blvd.
Victim: Johnny Ray Hendrix
Race/Age: Black/15
Sex: Male
Incident: Driver of stolen auto that crashed into trailer.
CC#: 91-55417

Date: October 21, 1991
Location: 611 So 11th St
Victim: Yusef Floyd
Race/Age: Black/12
Sex: Male
Incident: Passenger in stolen auto that struck pole.
CC#: 91-90863

Date: October 22, 1991
Location: 1 ST Ave/N 7th St
Victim: Dominique Lopez
Race/Age: Hisp/ 2
Sex: Female
Incident: Pedestrian that was struck by stolen auto.
CC#: 91-97198

Date: November 3, 1991
Location: 12th Ave/N 9th St
Victim: Nicole Don
Race/Age: Black/20
Sex: Female
Incident: Passenger in vehicle struck by stolen auto.
CC#: 91-101000

FATALITIES RELATED TO STOLEN VEHICLES 1992

Date: May 12, 1992
Location: Broad/Market
Race/Age: Hisp/26
Sex: Female
Incident: Victims auto struck by stolen auto being pursued
 by Belleville PD
CC#: 41075